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## BELIEVED TO BE LOST AT SEA

**Wreckage Washed Ashore at Cape Breton Probably That of American Steamer Tuscarora -- Entire Crew Missing**

(By Associated Press)  
New York, Dec. 26.—The American steamer Tuscarora, formerly a lake vessel and requisitioned by the United States shipping board for Atlantic service, together with her entire crew of thirty-five men, is believed to have been lost at sea somewhere north of Cape Breton, according to advices received in shipping circles here today from Nova Scotia.

joined at Montreal, from where she sailed for New York.  
A large number of former Lake vessels were caught in the heavy storm a week ago and all but the Tuscarora have been reported arriving safely. Today advices were received in shipping circles here that part of a bridge, pilot house and deck timbers from a large steamer had been washed ashore on St. Paul Island. While there is as yet no positive identification of the wreckage as being a part of the missing steamer, men familiar with that coast and the prevailing tide believe it is the Tuscarora.

## SPECIAL AGENT OF WAR TRADE BOARD

Roland M. Baker, formerly of this city and Rye, a well known Massachusetts leather tanner, has been appointed as special agent of the War Trade Board in Boston. He will assume his new duties in a few days.  
He has two boys in the U. S. Field Artillery now in France. One of these Roland M. Baker, Jr., has just successfully passed an examination, among 250 men, for entrance to a technical Plattsburg near Paris and has received his appointment.  
Mr. Baker's assistant in the Boston office will be John George Simon, for

## SHIPBUILDING PLANT NOTES

Edward Connors and wife passed the holiday at their former home.  
C. W. Hurmon and wife passed the Christmas holiday with relatives at Auburn, Me.  
John Millard, time keeper, passed the holiday in Portland.  
Superintendent of plant, R. Z. Doring, passed the holiday in Boston.  
Robert Anstrander of the civil engineers staff, passed Christmas in Malden, Mass.

Read the Want Ads

## WILL USE GOV. DINGLEY AS TRAINING SHIP

Has Been Chartered by U. S. Shipping Board for Use of New Merchant Marine.

Boston, Dec. 26.—The Governor Dingley, a coastwise passenger steamer, until recently in the Boston-Portland service has been chartered by the United States Shipping Board for use as a training ship for crews for the new merchant marine. She is the second training ship chartered here, the first one being the Calvin Austin.

## STEFANSEN HEARD FROM

Noted Explorer, Head of Canadian Arctic Expedition, Arrives at Fort Yukon.

(By Associated Press)  
Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Viljalmar Stefansen, the Arctic explorer, last heard from in a letter received in March, 1916, has arrived with his party at Fort Yukon, according to word received by the Canadian naval department today.  
Stefansen is head of the Canadian Arctic expedition which has been in the far north since 1913 and some anxiety has been felt for his safety.

## GET IN TOUCH WITH HERALD FOR WORK

Do you know a girl or a capable woman that wants work? Or some bright boy of ability? Just tell them the Herald can sell their spare time. There is no need of any one leaving. There is work for all.  
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## SMALL IS REFUSED A NEW TRIAL

**New Hampshire Supreme Court Overrules Exception of Counsel for Wife Slayer**

(By Associated Press)  
Concord, Dec. 26.—The state supreme court today overruled the exception of counsel for Frederick Small, who is sentenced to be hanged on January 15, 1918, for wife murder, and refused the plea for a new trial.  
The body of Small's wife was found in the ruins of their cottage at Ossipee, Sept. 29, 1916, the day after the

destruction of the house by fire. Small was in Boston when the fire occurred, but at his trial the state presented evidence to show that Mrs. Small had been killed before her husband's departure and that the fire had been set by mechanical means. Small's object in killing his wife is believed to have been the life insurance that she carried.

## INCOME TAX DEPUTIES ARE ASSIGNED

Internal Revenue Field Men to Be Stationed at Various Cities From Jan. 2 to March 1.

Collector of Internal Revenue Nath W. Jones, in charge of the district composed of the states of New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, announced to a Herald man today that he has assigned the following income tax inspectors for duty from January 2 to March 1st at the following places: Compton W. Jones at Portsmouth; Revenue Agent Edgar Porter of Washington at Dover; B. Oscar Pinkham at Exeter; William A. Call, Hiram E. Quimby and George A. Dearborn at Manchester; Fred E. Drew at Littleton, and northern part of the state; Almon T. Smith at Nashua; Fred H. Marden at Keene; John McKean at Concord; James O. Gerry at Berlin; Fred S. Brock at Laconia and Franklin; George F. Spillane at Hurlington; in charge of Vermont; James Dwyer at Lewiston; William Cole and E. C. Merriman at Portland; John T. Sherry and Frank Whittemore at Augusta; Kingsbury Piper and George Bowles at Bangor.

Collector Jones said today: "It will be well for every unmarried person whose net income for 1917 is \$1000 or over, and every married person living with wife or husband whose net income for 1917 is \$2000 or over, to call on the income tax man and learn whether or not they have any tax to pay. The person subject to tax who doesn't make return in the time prescribed is going to regret it. The government will get after all income tax slackers."

"There's hardly a business man, merchant or professional man who won't have to make return of income. Farmers, as a class will have to pay the tax. The safe thing to do is for every person who had a total income of \$1000 or \$2000, as the case may be, and who is not sure about what deductions the law allows him, to play it safe by calling on the income tax man."

## A WATCH CAP OF GREELEY DAYS

Thomas J. Goodwin of South street is wearing a watch cap that has seen service in far colder weather than there is here. Mr. Goodwin obtained the cap from one of the crew of the U. S. S. Bear at the time that ship came here from the far North in company with the Alert and Thetis, bringing the survivors of the Greeley expedition. The cap has been treasured by Mr. Goodwin since it came into his possession and is a fitting reminder of the early events, made possible by the fact that the late Senator William B. Chandler was secretary of the navy, which gave Portsmouth international

## U. S. TO USE ENGINES BUILT FOR RUSSIA

New York, Dec. 26.—With Russian contracts being cancelled the likelihood of locomotives that were built for that country being altered to do service on American railroads is being discussed. It has been reported that about two hundred locomotives built for Russia are to make their appearance on American railroads in the next month.  
The locomotive companies decline to confirm this statement. Changing of the Russian locomotives to the American gauge can be easily accomplished, as the designers arranged their plans for a prospective revision of the railroads of Russia to the standard gauge and had this new equipment built so that the change could be affected without much trouble. These locomotives however, are not as large as those used by the American roads. Their power is limited and from a standpoint of efficiency, can best be used in railroad classified yards.  
Railroad officials see little hope of the passage of legislation that would cause the government to undertake the purchase and ownership of 100,000 freight cars. A bill towards this end has already been introduced in congress but has not aroused much interest.

## DR. HUGHES NAMES HER SUBJECT FOR THE NURSING ASSO.

Noted Boston Physician to Speak in This City on Thursday.

Dr. Laura Hughes of Boston, who will address the Graduate Nurses' Association at the December meeting in this city on Thursday, will speak on the following subject: "The graduate nurse—her duty to herself, to her profession, and to the community in which she resides, or to the public."  
The meeting is called for 2 o'clock at the Nurses' home and the noted Boston physician is certain of interesting the entire membership of the local organization.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Portsmouth and vicinity—Fair and colder tonight and Thursday.

Sun Rises..... 7.12  
Sun Sets..... 4.17  
High Tide..... 9.25 am, 10.00 pm  
Moon Sets..... 5.30 pm  
Light Automobile Lamps at..... 4.47 pm

## WILL JOIN AVIATION CORPS

John Hett Jr., of Teverly Hill road, left today for Boston to join the aviation corps of the U. S. army. The best wishes of his many friends go with him.

## SENATE RESUMES ITS INQUIRY

**National Army Officers Just Back From Inspection Trips in France Appear Before Military Committee.**

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 26.—Conditions in the American overseas forces and National Army training camps were described today to the Senate military committee when it took up its inquiry into war operations.  
General officers of the National Army just back from inspection trips in France were called by the committee. The Senate closed its doors to hear Major General O'Ryan's statement regarding the American expedition abroad. His testimony regarding sufficiency of rifles, clothing and supplies in General Pershing's forces should not be made public, the Senate military committee believes.

Jack Frost was much in evidence again Tuesday night.

## SOLDIERS IN PURSUIT

Marfa, Texas, Dec. 25.—American troops today were guarding all of the outlets to Van Horn Canyon where 100 Mexican bandits on Christmas morning crossed the American border and raided the postoffice and general store on Bright Ranch, 27 miles southeast of here, killing Mike Welch, a veteran stage driver, and his Mexican passenger, and wounding the foreman of Bright Ranch. The Mexicans carried away booty believed to amount to seven thousand dollars. The American soldiers are in close pursuit and are reported to have killed and wounded many of the Mexicans.



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## PAINTS WORD VIEW OF BATTLEFIELD

Waldo Pierce, the noted Boston artist, describes in a forceful manner the quiet horror of a battlefield after victors and vanquished have passed, in a communication received by Prof. Charles T. Copeland at Harvard. Mr. Pierce has been in France for some time as the official painter for the Red Cross, and has been able to visit a number of places not ordinarily open to any but soldiers.

Mr. Pierce's description of the battlefield appears in the current number of the Harvard Illustrated magazine. It follows, in part:

"Nature heals quickly with even an all change. Trenches of a year ago, shell-holes are all softened over by these good weeds that grow apace.

"In any case, to see a battlefield, one must see it warm, fresh, palpitating, and echoing still to the rumble of artillery. The road I took led me across a great plateau, the first part of which had been given up to the great German retreat of last spring, hence no more destruction than all the fruit trees cut down, and all the great poplars felled by the roadside, and an occasional shell hole. All at once the fields, for one gets now to a great open country, show like a pock-marked face. The pock-holes grow thicker and thicker until they are blurred into a great confusion. These are or were the late first lines—nothing remains.

"You've left the earth you know, for the moon. Are you a collector of souvenirs? If you have an auto left, had a way, hidden behind a pile of sandbags, you might carry back odd objects. There's a German helmet—so! There's a head-still inside. Well, carefully, there are piles of half-embedded, unexploded hand-grenades, torpedoes, shells—about. You have come to see, not to be seen. There are still a few pillboxes hopping in this forsaken sea of soil kicking over the fatness and jetam of all the horrible storm which has passed. They'll tell you any point of interest. There are some shoes for the devil's cobbler. If he wants human feet for packs; there hands, legs, human saddles and currier for the Kaiser's table.

"Shades of Dante and Milton, you wrote, but never saw! There were quarries in which the bodies huddled, reserves, vast caverns and grots. Trenches back were the marine cannon and artillerymen, with former foe and ally, all at their elbow. The reserves were held in reserve. They are still, many of them. Today under that avalanche of rock and shell, hands and legs protrude. The reserves are there in case the Kaiser wants them after the war. I saw Germans whose helmets were gloves, whose faces were hush, whose limbs were stuffed rags, all flopped the wrong way, whose smell was as sweet as a dead boche can smell to a civilized enemy mortal. Some had been buried and torn up again by the shells."

## KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 26.—Miss Ellen A. Bowden gave a delightful Christmas party and musical for her younger pupils only, on Monday afternoon at her home on Newmarket street. The rooms were appropriately decorated for the occasion with evergreen, bells, etc. The following program was given: "Daisy Chains," Gertrude Frary; "My Lesson Today," Clara Currier; "Playing Tag," Wilmer Locke, Miss Bowden; "The Little Stranger," Evelyn Frary; "Will You, Won't You Dance With Me?" by Marie Thyring; "The Goat Ride," Wilmer Locke; reading, "Beethoven's Life," "Mendelssohn's Life," Harriet Jenner; "Spring Song," Miss Bowden; "Rolling Robin," Charlotte Clark; "Song of the Fairies," Robert Berg; "The Vivandier in Camp," Violet Landers, Roberta Landers; "In Endless Mischief," Harriet Jenner; "Fairytale," Helen Foye; "At Twilight," Roberta Landers; "Paranella," Violet Landers.

Following the program there was a handsomely decorated Christmas tree, and each pupil was presented a musical dictionary and a Christmas bag. Refreshments of cocoa, cake and sandwiches were served, Miss Cathleen McLean of Portsmouth being present and assisting in the serving. At the close, "America" was sung, Miss Helen Foye playing the accompaniment and Miss Clara Currier wailing a small American flag. Each pupil was also presented a decorated program as a souvenir. Miss Bowden has between fifteen and twenty music pupils, and was generously remembered with dignity and useful gifts.

Miss Annie Knight of Government street is passing the week with friends in Lynn.

Warren Blaisdell of York was a visitor in town on Tuesday.

Miss Clara Dixon assisted in the G. N. French store in Portsmouth during the holiday rush.

The Sons of Veterans will meet Thursday evening at the store of B. F. Bunker to make further plans towards organization.

Morton Holman of Portland passed the holiday with friends in town.

Miss Hazel Waggat of New Hampshire college is passing the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waggat of Rogers road.

Miss Jessie Haley of Everett, Mass., is the holiday guest of her father, Frank Haley, of North Kittery.

Miss Marie Sherburne of North



Seen in Eugene Walter's great play, "Just a Woman," which the Chicago Stock Company will produce at the Colonial Theatre tonight. This wonderful play telling the story of a woman fighting her husband in the common pleas court to prevent him obtaining a divorce and the custody of their child, is written in a masterful manner. The story of this play is almost like the recent De Sautels case. By all means do not miss it.

Thursday afternoon the players will

present "The Penalty of Sin," a heart-stirring romance of New England life in which a girl that erred, furnishes the basis for a very interesting play.

Thursday evening the celebrated rural play, "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," will be staged. This great State O'Maine play abounds in comedy scenes and situations and the adventures of sweet little Rebecca with the Perkins Hollow folk has made millions laugh and cry.

Friday matinee and evening Emily

Stevens' New York success "The Unshaken Woman," a brilliant comedy in four acts and which ran a hold year in New York city will be the attraction.

Saturday matinee "Mrs. Wings of the Cabbage Patch" will be given an elaborate scenic production and Saturday evening "The House of Bondage" will be offered. Seats are now selling for all week. Matinees are children 10 cents, adults 20 cents; evenings, 10, 20, 30 and 50 cents.

Berwick passed Christmas in town with relatives.

Charles A. Gerry of Love lane resumed his duties at the navy yard today after a few days' vacation.

Roy D. Keene of New Hampshire college is passing the holidays at his home in town.

York Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, meets Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' hall. Election of officers will take place.

A total of 551 new members of the Red Cross was reached on Monday evening, Kittery getting its full quota which was 550. This brings the total membership for the town up to nearly nine hundred.

Mrs. Olive Sherburne of Portsmouth passed Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Frank W. Call.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gulbrandsen of Love lane passed the holiday with relatives in Dover.

Herman Petzold of Lawrence, Mass., has been passing a few days with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Webber and little son of Manchester passed the week-end and holiday with relatives here and at Kittery Point.

Mrs. Annie Nelson of Love lane passed Christmas in Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Goodwin and family of York were guests on Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goodwin of Dame street.

Albert Brinkwater of Manson avenue passed Christmas with relatives in Exeter, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lant of Pleasant street have been passing a few days with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. John Hall of the Isles of Shoals is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Aaron Cole of Government street is able to go out after an illness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Carr and Miss Mary Parker passed Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Horace Parker of Portsmouth.

Mrs. Leroy Philbrick of Otis avenue has returned from a week's visit to relatives in Portland.

Mrs. Wilbur H. Shaw of Portsmouth visited relatives in town on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morton of Wentworth street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wood of New York are guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. Lottie Trafts of Woodlawn avenue.

Wallace Putnam of Camp Devens, Ayer, was the guest of friends in town over Christmas.

The homes of Arthur Goodwin and Leon French have been released from scarlet fever quarantine.

The meeting of the Ladies' Circle of the Second Christian church will be

omitted this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson of Love lane passed Christmas with relatives in Boston.

John P. Adams of Bridgeport, Conn., spent the holiday with his mother, Mrs. Anna Adams of North Kittery.

## AT SUGRUE'S

One and a half pounds best bread 13c.

## KITTERY POINT

Kittery Point, Dec. 26.—The churches in town observed Christmas exercises and Christmas trees. The Congregational church and First Christian church gave a concert on Monday evening and the Baptist church on Tuesday evening. Following is the program of the First Christian church:

Song—School, No. 1.  
Prayer—Rev. B. W. Cummings.  
Recitation—Hilton Emery.  
Recitation—Charles Anderson.  
Recitation—Emily Huff.  
Song—School No. 10.  
Recitation—Clifton Trefethen.  
Recitation—Dorothea Drew.  
Recitation—Dorothy Coffin.  
Solo—Mrs. Benjamin Seward.  
Song—School No. 14.  
Exercise, three boys—Dorothy Coffin, Clifton Trefethen, Walter Anderson.

Song, three girls—Mildred Emery, Beatrice Coffin, Ruth Emery.  
Recitation—Ruth Penett.  
Recitation—Emily Grace.  
Recitation—Alex Perry.  
Recitation—Mildred Emery.

Exercise, three girls—Hazel Bond, Geraldine Fletcher, Emily Huff.  
Song—School, No. 18.  
Recitation—Jessie Billings.  
Recitation—Ruth Emery.  
Recitation—Everett Billings.

Exercise, four boys—Raymond Emery, Raymond Blake, Harry Billings, Harry Billings, Milton Emery.  
Song—School, No. 22.  
Recitation—Dorothy Coffin.  
Recitation—Isabelle Grace.  
Recitation—Walter Anderson.  
Offering.

Song—America, by all.  
The W. C. T. U. will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. John H. Parrott, December 27.

Fred Billings of Boston spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Billings.

Mrs. Ray Wilham and children returned to their home on Tuesday evening after a few days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Charles Clark and guest, Miss Harriet Mower of Boston, spent

Christmas day with friends in Rye, N. H.

Miss Ruth Lawry has returned to her home after spending several months in Boston.

The funeral services of Mrs. Mary Fisher of Hutchins Corner took place at the home on Monday afternoon.

Rev. W. T. Coffin officiating.

Christian Endeavor prayer service of the First Christian church will be held at the home on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moulton this evening at 7.30.

Miss Alice Sprague of Milton, Me., is the guest of Miss Ruth Lawry at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manning Lawry.

A meeting of the Red Cross will be held with Mrs. Oscar Clark. Mrs. L'Amoureux of Kittery will read the reports of a convention which she attended in Boston last week, a good attendance is requested.

C. Edwin Phillips of Boston spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Phillips.

MANCHESTER CHURCH CLOSING DUE TO COAL SHORTAGE

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 24.—Because of the scarcity of fuel, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, West Winchester, has decided to close its house of worship until Easter Sunday, and to conduct its religious as well as social activities in the parish house.

DOVER GIVES HALIFAX \$607.70

Dover, N. H., Dec. 25.—Dover's Halifax fund was closed yesterday. Chairman Foster of the local committee on National Defense, sent a check for \$607.70 to H. H. Dudley of Concord, State treasurer of the fund.

BRITISH BOMB GERMAN CITY

Aerial Squadron Makes Successful Attack on Mannheim on the Rhine.

(By Associated Press)

London, Dec. 25.—The city of Mannheim on the Rhine, was bombarded by a British aviation squadron on Monday says an official statement of the army service today. The statement is that a bombing squadron bombed the city of Mannheim with excellent results. The squadron left at daylight and arriving over the city dropped about a ton of explosives with good results. Bombs were observed in the main R. R. station and in the city and several fires were started. The squadron was met by a very heavy anti-air gun bombardment and one of the British machines was hit and forced to land, but the others all returned to their home station, driving off the enemy aviators who sought to attack.

Never can tell when you'll reach a finger or suffer a cut, bruise, burn or scald. Be prepared. Thousands rely on Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Your drug-gist sells it. 50c and 60c.

The Camp Fire girls of this city carried out their usual Christmas eve program of singing carols.

## WAR COUNCIL IMPORTANT BODY

Newly Created Military Cabinet Will Guide Sec. Baker in Deciding Momentous Issues.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The newly created council of high officers in the war department will become one of the most important of the war agencies of the government if Secretary Baker's plans are carried out. This military cabinet, it was learned today, will guide the secretary in the decisions he must make in question to the welfare of the army and the prosecution of the war.

Organization of the war council has not been completed. The five general officers now constituting its membership are meeting every day, however, to go over with Mr. Baker the larger problems before him that are pressing for solution.

No statement has been issued covering any point so far taken up by the officers of the council. In his announcement of the formation of the new body, however, Mr. Baker laid stress on the fact that additional officers would be added as necessary, and there are indications that more appointments are to come within the next few days.

There are many questions of supply and equipment which the secretary must decide, and therefore he has had only the individual and conflicting views of the staff or bureau chiefs to guide him. The council provides a means for co-ordinating these opinions and for the threshing out of any conflict of views.

## MORE AVIATORS ARE NEEDED

Machines Are Being Made So Fast That Shortage in Operators May Result.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The building of aeroplanes and the schooling of flyers is going along at the maximum rate throughout the country, Howard E. Coffin, chairman of the Aircraft Protection Board, said today after an inspection trip.

"The material side of aeroplane development," he said, "is satisfactory. We now want to get men to fly them as fast as the machines are built."

"This branch of the service is getting the highest type of Americans. Their examinations and the character of their training insures that. While they are ample for the present demand, there must be more for the future."

"In this connection, young men should consider that a knowledge of engineering, mechanics or actual flying in connection with aeronautics will have a decided peace time value."

"We may beat up cannon into ploughshares, but the aeroplane is here to stay, and I predict its commercial development after the war will be surprising."

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# VERDUN UNDER GERMAN FIRE

## Heavy Artillery Action May Mean Another Drive—Italian Recapture Ground

(By Associated Press)

Increased cannonading on the Verdun front, especially in the regions about Douaumont, the Chamere woods and the Canele woods, where a year ago some of the heaviest engagements of the war were fought, indicated that the Germans are not going to allow the French must rest in this section, or it may indicate that they are going to try once more to pierce the French line at this point, which has been the grave yard of many of their military hopes.

On the Italian front the battle along the Piave river still continues. The Italians claim the recapture of all of the ground lost yesterday along the Asiago plateau, but the reports from Berlin tend to minimize the importance of their counter attacks.

Berlin reports that the counter attacks were repulsed at Mount Pertica. They claim to have captured 9,000 prisoners in recent engagements at Codel Rosso. True to their tactics the Austro-Germans may be depended upon to renew their attacks as the large movement of troops indicates that they are going to keep plunging in their efforts to get through the mountains and to again menace the Venetian plains.

## OPERATORS GET 10 PER CENT INCREASE

(By Associated Press)  
Boston, Dec. 25.—An advance of wages of about ten per cent for all of the telephone operators outside of Boston, some 6,000 in number, went into effect last Saturday, became known here today. The Boston situation is still under discussion. The leaders of the Boston telephone operators union state that the increase given the outside operators was one that they had rejected and that a meeting of the union to vote on a strike had been called.

## GERMAN WOMAN ARRESTED AS A SPY

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Baroness Iona Zolner of New York, wife of a German army officer fighting on the Flanders front, was held today without bail on charge with being a spy. Ident. J. W. Spaulding, U. S. A., arrested with her, was sent to Fort Oglethorpe, under guard after he had testified for the state. The Baroness's arrest is based principally on a code and an letters written to her son, a sixteen year old lad in the north, in which she describes a visit to Fort Oglethorpe and the conditions about the forts including roads etc. Spaulding claims that he loves the woman and wanted to marry her that she had paid his hotel bills and had used her influence to get him a commission in the army after he was forced out of the naval academy on account of bills.

## U. S. HAS ENOUGH FLOUR TO LAST FIVE MONTHS

Minneapolis, Dec. 25.—Frank L. Carey, representative of the Food Administration Grain Corporation, who

in his tour of the Northern Italian line states that there is the most unusual weather with little snow and mild temperature. All of which helps the Germans in the movement of their artillery and supplies.

The Bolshevik commander in chief Vladimir Kryslenko, reports that there has been a large transfer of troops from the German eastern front to the western and southwestern fronts.

Civil war is on the increase in Russia and there is evidence that the negotiations between the Russians and the Central Powers is not progressing as smoothly as they would wish. A very days delay however allows the Germans to shift more troops which is being rushed at feverish speed.

The German government has refused to allow their Socialist leaders to go to Stockholm to attend a socialist convention and the Bolshevik leaders are very much incensed at this and threaten to remove the negotiations to Stockholm.

The Bolshevik government has issued a manifesto to the Russian workmen, warning them to cease their activities on all military supplies and instead to devote their time to the production of supplies that will be needed in civil life.

returned today from New York, where members of the corporation have been in conference, declared, in answer to reports of a flour shortage, that there is a broadcast supply in storage and on the market now sufficient to answer the needs of the entire country for five months.

"Flour stocks are ample everywhere even though flour exports to our Allies increased 60 percent over last year," he said. "If for any reason marketing of wheat from the farms should cease, this country could exist five months on the stocks now accumulated as reserves."

Mr. Carey also announced that approximately 1,000,000 bushels of wheat from the Pacific Coast has been ordered shipped here for use of local flour mills.

## SHOT HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW

(By Associated Press)  
North Adams, Mass., Dec. 25.—Lugli Bertini of Springfield was shot and killed at the home of his brother-in-law, John Donofrio, here today. Donofrio disappeared after the shooting. According to the police the wife and children of Bertini have lived with her brother for two years and when Bertini appeared for a Christmas visit he got after him for the failure to support his family and the shooting followed.

## SURGEONS FOR ADMIRALS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Medical Directors George H. Barber and Edward R. Still were promoted today to the rank of rear admiral. These officers were selected by the President in recognition of their distinguished services," said Secretary Daniels. "The President will send their nominations to the Senate as soon as Congress reassembles." Dr. Barber is a native of Massachusetts. He is a specialist in tuberculosis and for several years has been head of the Naval Hos-

pital at Las Animas, Col. Dr. Still is president of the Naval School, Washington, and an authority on tropical medicine.

Dr. Barber has served many years at sea and has had service at training stations and hospitals both in the United States and in the Philippines. He was at one time in command of the hospital ship Relief on the Asiatic station. His special work in tuberculosis led to Dr. Barber's selection to take charge of the Naval Hospital at Las Animas, the sanatorium for tuberculosis patients of the Navy. During his five years in charge there, the institution has been enlarged from a capacity of 200 beds to accommodations for 760 patients. He is a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York and entered the Navy as assistant surgeon in 1889.

## HOOVER ON SUGAR SHORTAGE

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 25.—The food statement which Food Administrator Hoover sought to get before the Senate Committee, investigating the sugar situation, was issued tonight by orders of the White House. He attributes the shortage of sugar to the great shipment of sugar to Europe and to the fact that while in peace Europe supplies the greater part of their own sugar but they were now calling upon the supply from this country. He claims that if it had not been for the fixing of prices by an agreement, that sugar would be now selling at 25 cents a pound and that the public would have been mulched of over \$200,000,000. The statement outlined the sugar situation since the war began and claims that Europe had taken already 1,000,000 tons of sugar, which is the great cause of the shortage.

## OLD SOLDIERS TO BE EXCHANGED

(By Associated Press)

Paris, Dec. 25.—An official note announcing that an agreement had been reached between Germany and France by which all prisoners of war of 45 years or over, who have been prisoners for 18 months were to be exchanged, that is, all non-commissioned officers and private, but all officers of that age were to be interned in Switzerland.

## Chief Flynn Resigns

(From the Manchester Union)

The resignation of William J. Flynn as chief of the United States secret service would have been a matter of general regret at any time since his assumption of that important position, but it is particularly to be deplored in view of the existing need for a man of his experience and acknowledged ability in directing the detection and apprehension of offenders against the nation's interests. Fortunately it is for the country that the retiring chief is to be succeeded, in the person of Deputy Chief W. H. Moran, by a man who has had long training in the Flynn methods, and whose capability has been repeatedly demonstrated. Never has the United States had greater cause to appreciate an efficient federal secret service than it has today. The wits of the service are matched against the highest-paid, most unscrupulous and most pervasive enemy spy system that the world has ever seen. Under Chief Flynn's direction, it has given an excellent account of itself. There is every reason to expect that it will continue to do so under the direction of Chief Moran.

In the nature of things, the American people cannot know the full extent to which they are indebted to the skill, the patriotism and the unflinching fidelity to duty of William J. Flynn. They can only know, and they do know, in a general way that he and his workers have stood constantly between our government and all enemies who, whether by gradual encroachment, subtle plot or frontal violence, would have wrecked it. For 20 years Mr. Flynn has been a part of this great detective and protective machine. It is five years this month since he became its responsible chief. Whatever may be his plans for the future, he has it that he will eventually become police commissioner of New York city—he will take with him in his retirement from the secret service the good wishes and appreciation of a hundred million or more Americans.

Let the patriotic popular co-operation which the service has had under Chief Flynn, continue and increase under his successor. The constituted secret service alone, marvellously efficient as it is, cannot protect the country from its enemies. It is as much the duty of any private citizen as of any member of the secret service to report symptoms of treason, sedition or other form of disloyalty. The importance of keeping this fact in mind, and of acting upon it without hesitation when ever occasion seems to warrant, cannot be over-emphasized. This country needs to be one gigantic secret service system, with every citizen an alert and courageous member. The need is not created by the retirement of Chief Flynn, for it has existed all along; and no one would be quicker than the incoming director of the secret service to agree that it will continue to exist.

## ALLOW COAL ADVANCE OF 75 CENTS

The local fuel administrators, as has been previously announced, have allowed the local coal dealers to advance the price of coal 75 cents a ton to meet the increased cost of coal which the local dealers have been forced to pay and the increased cost of distribution in small quantities.

The local administrators have been going over the matter for some weeks, and they have simply followed the rulings of about all fuel committees. The wholesale price was advanced 35 cents a ton by permission of the National Administrator and to this the dealers have had to contend with the extra cost of handling coal coming by rail and also the increase that has resulted from the rule to allow each person but a ton or a half a ton at a time.

## THREE BOYS KILLED AT NASHUA

(By Associated Press)

Nashua, Dec. 25.—Two boys were drowned in the Merrimack river here today. Felix Mulvihill, 9 years, was drawing Joseph Messing on a sled on the river when the ice gave way and both boys were drowned. Orlas Oursseau was the victim of another accident. He had been presented with a revolver on a Christmas tree and he shot himself when loading it.

## STATE WILL GET RED CROSS QUOTA

This city in all probability will get fourth place in the state in the Red Cross membership drive, for while reports are not yet complete it looks as though Manchester, Nashua and Concord would be the only cities to exceed the 3700 that this city has secured. The returns for the entire state are by no means complete and it will be tonight or tomorrow before the final figures are available. The states quota is 70,000 and up to Saturday night it has reached 45,000, so that the committee are quite confident that the full quota will be reached. Manchester, Nashua has reported 8,063, Concord 5,000, Portsmouth 3700, Laconia 2700 and a great many of the small towns have reported as passing their quota, while such towns as Newmarket have gone over their quota.

Locally it would not be surprising if this city even reached the four thousand mark, but 3800 is practically assured, although only 3700 checked. As the Portsmouth Chapter gets one-half of this sum, it assures the Chapter a sufficient funds to keep the large force of workers at the work room well provided with the proper materials and also to take care of the civilian relief cases which are daily increasing.

## "Keep the Home Fires Burning"

(From the Boston Herald)

Snow-covered, wind-swept, many a hill and dale is resounding to the woodman's axe, piled regularly by state foresters, at intervals by the farmers, and intermittently in morning hours and on "off days" by citizens doing their bit towards fuel conservation. The arrival of coal in considerable quantities has relieved Boston for the moment, but the state has a future to provide for, and the country as a whole, according to the fuel administration at Washington, must prepare for a shortage in coal production of about 50,000,000 tons. The present annual turnout of sprucewood cord in the United States is 100,000,000 cords. Assuming that one of these in heating capacity replaces a ton of coal at least 75,000,000 cords will be needed, and the administration is already planning a campaign for that increase.

Here is an ambitious program but no clash between forest conservation and coal conservation. A general assault on the trees is not contemplated. It is not desirable, nor is it needed. The wanton, indiscriminate appropriation of everything that grows by anybody who happens to have strong muscles and a keen blade is as much taboo as in the days before the shortage. Without it there is wood enough and in sight. First we have the normal supply cut every year and to be made good by replanting. Then there are sources either neglected or inadequately drawn upon. Foresters know what can be done in the way of "thinning out"—a process by which decayed or unpromising trees are removed to the advantage of those which remain. Finally there are the stumps from which the trunks have gone; cumbering the ground in every direction and heaving only to be uprooted and brought under the saw to yield excellent firewood. On government lands and in state forests the authorities already have

woodmen at work under co-operative arrangements with land owners for cutting on an extensive scale. A plan of this kind, originated by our own state forestry department, is now yielding 100 cords a day with benefit to both owner and consumer. But official efforts in this direction merely scratch the surface. As Washington views it, the situation must be met by measures that will quiet the present labor shortage by uniting the interest and co-operation of the average man. Farmers are urged to cut more wood, municipal authorities to gather in timber now going to waste on public lands, and sawmills to conserve their refuse. Resort to the unemployed, the formation of "vikars" cutting clubs and better arrangements for the sale of wood to small purchasers are among the suggestions offered. If ever we saw and saw were needed to supplement the work of pick and shovel the time is now.

## MORE ROOM FOR NAVAL PRISONERS

Boston, Dec. 25.—The women's prison on Deer Island will probably be leased to the national government to confine offenders in the navy during the war. Mayor Curley yesterday gave authority to Penal Institution Commissioner David B. Shaw to make a contract, on reasonable terms, to the government, and Mr. Shaw accompanied naval officers on a tour of inspection to Deer Island. The government wants a building large enough to accommodate 500 men.

## A SIGN OF THE TIMES

The reasons advanced by President Taft in announcing a twelve-weeks course of study at Brown University next summer, express the national sentiment to a nicety.

"It is not right that our great plant, grounds and buildings, laboratories, and libraries should lie idle for four months of the year 1918. We are not content to see our machine shops closed when every wheel in the nation should be turning; our chemical laboratory idle; when the nation absolutely depends on applied chemistry, our engineering building useless when the government is calling for five engineers for every one that we can furnish, or our biological laboratory deserted when bacteriology is absolutely essential to the success of every camp and every trench as well as every city."

Our students fall into two classes: those who ought to go to work next summer on the farms, in the munition plants, in scientific laboratories or engineers' offices; and those who ought to go deeper into study by remaining at college. Students who are above the draft age will gladly avail the call of their country; those who are under that age must next summer either work or study with a devotion worthy of the national crisis.

In other words, this innovation at Brown comes in response to the government's demand for trained men. According to the program, engineering students now in their junior year will be able to complete their work and graduate about six months in advance of the regular time. Pre-medical students will be enabled to cover their preparatory work in the shortest possible time, and altogether the undergraduates an opportunity for greater efficiency.

This is one of the ways in which American colleges in common with industrial, commercial and other institutions of the country are contributing to the nation's war time strength and effectiveness. The government has specifically requested that male students who have not yet been called into the service apply themselves diligently to their studies until their call comes.

Particularly is this request applicable to technical students, to whom every day's training is just as much by way of additional enhancement of their value to the country in its time of urgent need. The military authorities can best train men in the manual of arms and in military tactics generally; but men who are to serve in highly specialized, technical capacities can be trained more rapidly, and made available more expeditiously, in the colleges and technical institutions. There should not be a single idle training plant of this kind in the U. S. next summer.—Manchester Union.

## "JUST A WOMAN" AT THE COLONIAL TODAY.

"Just a Woman," by Eugene Walters will be the attraction at the Colonial Theatre, today, matinee and night. This is the play which created a furore in New York last season when it was produced at the 48th St. Theatre, where it played to crowded houses for six solid months.

It is a long time since Portsmouth has had the opportunity of attending a Walters play. Any play from his pen is received with interest, for in "Paid in Full" and "The Eastest Way," he has written two very popular dramas. "Just a Woman," however, is said to eclipse these and many consider it the most successful and perhaps greatest American play.

"Just a Woman" is a drama in three acts and an epilogue. The action centers about the steel industry in Pennsylvania. Through the inspiration of his energetic wife a workman rises to the position of head of a large steel corporation. As the years pass he becomes a figure of prominence and in-

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fluence both in the industrial and social world. He then feels that his wife is beneath him, too uncultured and rough to be seen in his society and he introduces to his friends. He is unable to find anything in her conduct warranting a divorce, so he trumps up false charges with the aid of an unscrupulous detective agency.

Without representation, the wife appears in court, declaring that she can tell only the truth against the false accusations of infidelity. She is heart broken and makes no effort at defense until the court declares that her refusal to defend herself demands that the court give their little boy into the custody of his father. Then, in the most dramatic moment of the play, the woman takes the stand, and turns the tables with a most unlooked for denunciation of her husband, a scene that has never been surpassed for dramatic intensity or human interest. The last act told some time later just adds the finishing touches to the beautiful story of what "Just a Woman" can do for "Just a man."

## ZBYSZKO WINS HEAVY WEIGHT TITLE

(By Associated Press)

Boston, Dec. 25.—Wladek Zbyszko defeated Yousouf Hussane in what was advertised as a match for the heavy weight championship of the world at the Mechanics building this evening. Zbyszko, got the first fall in one hour and forty minutes and his opponent was unable to continue the match.

## MEXICAN BANDITS KILL U. S. MAIL MAN

(By Associated Press)

Valentine, Tex., Dec. 25.—The men who brought in the body of Mickey Welsh the U. S. mail carrier, who was hanged by Mexican bandits are Candalaria early today, state that the American troops were in touch with the rear guard of the Mexican bandits and were having a lively fight.

## RENEWING ACQUAINTANCES

The Chicago Stock Company Open Week's Engagement at the Colonial Theatre.

The Chicago Stock Company, which made such a favorable impression on last March, opened a week's engagement Christmas eve at the Colonial Theatre and, although Christmas eve is known as one of the poorest show nights of the year, a big house greeted the company. In fact one of the largest audiences they have ever played to on a Christmas eve.

The company during their visit here made many friends and they received a very cordial greeting on their return Christmas day they played to two good houses. In the afternoon a large audience enjoyed Rex Beach's famous play "The Barrier" and in the evening a new play by Eugene Walters, "A Soldier's Sweetheart," was well presented. This is a play based on the entertainment life and very much up to date. The piece was well cast and finely staged. The company carry twenty-two people and their plays for the week engagement are all of a high order, many of which have not been before presented by a stock company.

## GETS A GOOD COMMITTEE

Congressman Burroughs was elected by the House a member of the committee on merchant marine and fisheries. This is a good committee, and with the great work on merchant ships which is now under contemplation to build up the merchant marine, it will become much more important as time goes on in the future deliberations of congress.

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## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE NOW OVER 13,000,000

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 25.—Further returns from the Red Cross membership drive received here this evening indicate that the enrolment of new members will exceed the 13,000,000 estimated, which was three millions over what was set out for.

## PRESIDENT ORDERS RED TAPE CUT

Washington, Dec. 25.—War-time efficiency is being practiced as well as preached by the government.

President Wilson has sent to all the executive departments copies of a letter recently addressed by Secretary Redfield to his bureau chiefs.

"Forget how things were done before the war, eliminate red tape," the letter said. "We must learn with the Germans that 'the war won't wait.' Delay is the Kaiser's ally."

Secretary Redfield has instructed all his bureaus to install machines for stamping on papers the day and hour of receipts so that delay in action may be traced to personal responsibility. He is refusing to sign documents not so stamped.

## CALL UPON BAY STATE FOR 75 BRICKLAYERS.

Boston, Dec. 24.—Massachusetts is to be called upon soon to furnish 75 of a quota of 1,000 bricklayers, who are destined for service overseas.

Major Roger Wolcott, in charge of the selective service division of the adjutant-general's office, received the request for the men today and notified certain of the local boards to wire him at once how many bricklayers among the registrants in their jurisdiction were available and if there were any volunteers for the service.

The War Board are sending out the questionnaires in sections, so that they will not all come back in a bunch. The first lot are now being returned and Saturday more were sent out.



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Portsmouth, N. H., Wednesday, December 26, 1917.

## The Fight for National Prohibition.

Congress has done its part toward making the nation bone dry by submitting to the states an amendment to the constitution, which if adopted by three-fourths of them within seven years will do the business. It is a development which many of the present generation had never expected to see, but this is an age in which things move rapidly, whatever the issue.

It is a happy day for those who have been working for years to eliminate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Due to their efforts there are many different laws in the different states, all aiming toward the same end. There is state prohibition with the privilege of importing a certain amount of liquor for "personal use"; there are states attempting to be bone dry, and there is local option applying in some states to counties and in others to cities and towns; and there are states in which prohibition is anathema and which are as "wide open" as the sky above.

For many years the agitation against the liquor traffic has been the affair of the states in their individual capacity, but it has gradually grown into a national question and is now before the people as a whole, although the states must act separately through their legislatures. If three-fourths of these ratify the amendment bone dry prohibition will become the law of the land, and states, counties, cities and towns will have no more to say about it.

One point that is interesting, and to a certain extent disturbing, is that the conditions make possible a decision by a minority of the people. In this case the vote of one state counts for as much as that of any other, regardless of size. In this vote the little state of Maine will balance the great state of New York. But that is the way in which the constitution is amended and the situation must be accepted as gracefully as possible.

What the outcome will be it is impossible to foretell. There is a considerable number of states that are already dry and these may be expected to stand by their colors. In the other states there will be lively campaigning to line them up on one side or the other, with the result that the liquor issue will be to the front until the country as a whole has acted upon it.

Thus far in the attempt to promote temperance through law local option has worked about as well as any method that has been tried. This leaves the question to communities to settle for themselves and seems eminently fair and proper. It does not produce perfect conditions, and it is to be feared that nothing—even national prohibition—ever will. Law, whether state or national, not adequately backed by public sentiment is a difficult thing to enforce, a fact which is one of the strongest arguments in favor of local option with reference to the liquor traffic.

But the question of nation-wide bone dryness is now before the country and within seven years at the farthest the result will be known. It is possible that it may be known much sooner.

The Food Administration is interested in the producer as well as the consumer. It is urging farmers to hold back their hogs until the glut in the Chicago market is relieved. It would appear that no condition is to be permitted to make anything cheap, even for a short space of time.

"Heat your home with sunshine," says a bulletin issued in Massachusetts in the interest of fuel conservation. And by moving one's home to Florida this can be done like a book. As a rule sunshine is scarcer than coal in Massachusetts in the winter season.

A Maine man claims that he recently sent to Montreal for some sugar and had no trouble in buying it there at six cents a pound. And yet it has been claimed that the sugar shortage here was partly due to shipments to Canada, where it brought higher prices.

The New Haven, Conn., Civic Federation urges the consolidation of saloons for the purpose of saving fuel. It has been commonly supposed that saloonmen were able to keep their patrons warm without burning much coal.

Federal authorities have warned railroads to be on guard against the I. W. W., who, it believes, are planning to poison cattle and hogs in transit. A bullet would be none too good for any man caught in such nefarious work.

The La Follette hearing has been postponed for the fourth time. One would almost think it was a murder case.

Andrew J. Peters, one of the five candidates for mayor of Boston, did not "peter out." He "petered in."

**Joys and Glooms**  
(From the New York Herald)  
In the midst of its celebrations over the defeat of Mayor Curley, Boston discovers that Mr. Hoover has decreed as "porkless day" that on which it bakes its beloved beans!

**A War Councillor Approved**  
(From the Springfield Republican)  
Major General Weaver, who goes into the war council, has many friends in Massachusetts who learned to esteem him before he became chief of coast artillery. He always had a friendly interest in the development of military matters in this state.

**Look Out for Fire**  
(From the Nashua Telegraph)  
A lighted candle, a banner, curtains and bric-a-brac really did offer a combination which might in numbers of cases started fires on Christmas eve. The scheme of illumination as advised against.

**Boston is Reforming**  
(From the Syracuse Post-Standard)  
Boston has so long made excuses for its mayors that apology has become a habit. Through a happy accident rather than to any deliberate intention to do her best Boston has reformed. While New York and Philadelphia after a profitable experience with good government have slipped back into the rut of sheer partisanship, Boston has clamored out.

**Guarding Home Territory**  
(From the Lynn Item)  
The contemplated action of the government, with reference to guarding the water fronts and ammunition plants of the country, has caused considerable uneasiness in the Massachusetts State guard, and wonderment as to whether the members are to have real service when so palpable a necessity for it exists. The plan is to form a division of men from the rejected national army men, and officer them with student officers who failed to obtain a commission at Plattsburg and similar camps, the whole to be the national arm in guarding against enemy aliens. Should this be carried out the functions of the state guard would be very limited and a blow would be dealt to that fine patriotism which prompted these men to enlist for two years, or the duration of the war. The men of the state guard are either too old for active service or they have dependents to disqualify them for it. They seem to be just the kind of men fitted for this service by reason of their mature years, and consequently ripeness of judgment in dealing with peculiar and delicate problems which are always found in this kind of work. They are too patriotic to criticize whatever action may be taken but they are of an mind that the facts should be presented before a final decision is reached.

**Borden Under Canada's Burden**  
(From the New York Evening Post)  
The odds were plainly too great against Sir Wilfrid Laurier, but the sweeping character of his defeat in the west had been expected neither by the Liberals nor the Unionists. The victory, plainly means that the Anglo-Saxon people of Canada put their whole strength into this war just as long as it lasts and that they are not willing to swap horses while crossing a stream, lest the change be misinterpreted abroad. The gravity of the situation is that it is a straight out line-up of French Canadians against Anglo-Saxons. In the entire Province of Quebec not a single Unionist was elected outside of three districts in the city of Montreal. What is going to happen? Who is going to force Quebec to enforce the conscription law? The outlook is the more unhappy because, in addition to the racial cleavage, the religious line was very clearly drawn. This makes a demand upon Sir Robert Borden's statesmanship and breadth of view and tolerance which will test his skill. Having been returned with a larger majority than he had hoped for, it is his opportunity and his duty to display the greatest possible wisdom and magnanimity towards the French Canadians lest there arise grave complications. It is at least reassuring that the Borden victory is so decisive that it cannot be attributed to any juggling with the franchise.

**Germany Must Now State Terms**  
(From the Boston Globe)  
The defect of Germany's peace offers has been that she offered nothing, and if she had, we would have had no means of knowing whether the offer was sincere. But now the German sphinx is about to open its mouth. This much vir the adheres to the Russo-German parity at Brest-Litovsk; Not only will Germany be obliged to state explicit terms, but those terms will apprise the world what kind of peace it is that the German Government so earnestly desires, and how much the war party is prepared to concede in order to obtain it.

For months—it might now almost be said "for years"—the German Government has said that it wanted a conference. Well, now it has one. They are seated round the "green table," and the give-and-take has begun. It will now appear how large a proportion of Germany's disposition to peace is "give" and how much of it is "take." In such a negotiation concealment can no longer conceal. If Germany attempts the political camouflage of independent buffer states between her frontiers and Russia "under a German plan," the world will be no less able to deduce the moral.

The Russians are in for a lesson in the statecraft of the German ruling caste. There is this consolation, that the rest of us will be able to profit by their experience.

**Canada to Fight On**  
(From the Nashua Telegraph)  
The Canadian election last week, at which time the principle of conscription was adopted as definitively as if the specific resolution had been presented to the voters of the dominion for referendum, establishes a stronger bond of sympathy between the people of this country and our neighbors to the north, and heightens the admiration for the patriotic sacrifices which the provinces have made in behalf of the war. The union government, promulgated by the Borden ministry, went before the people for endorsement, and was returned to power by not only a good working, but a decisive majority. Only in the province of Quebec did the Unionists fall substantially to sweep the country.

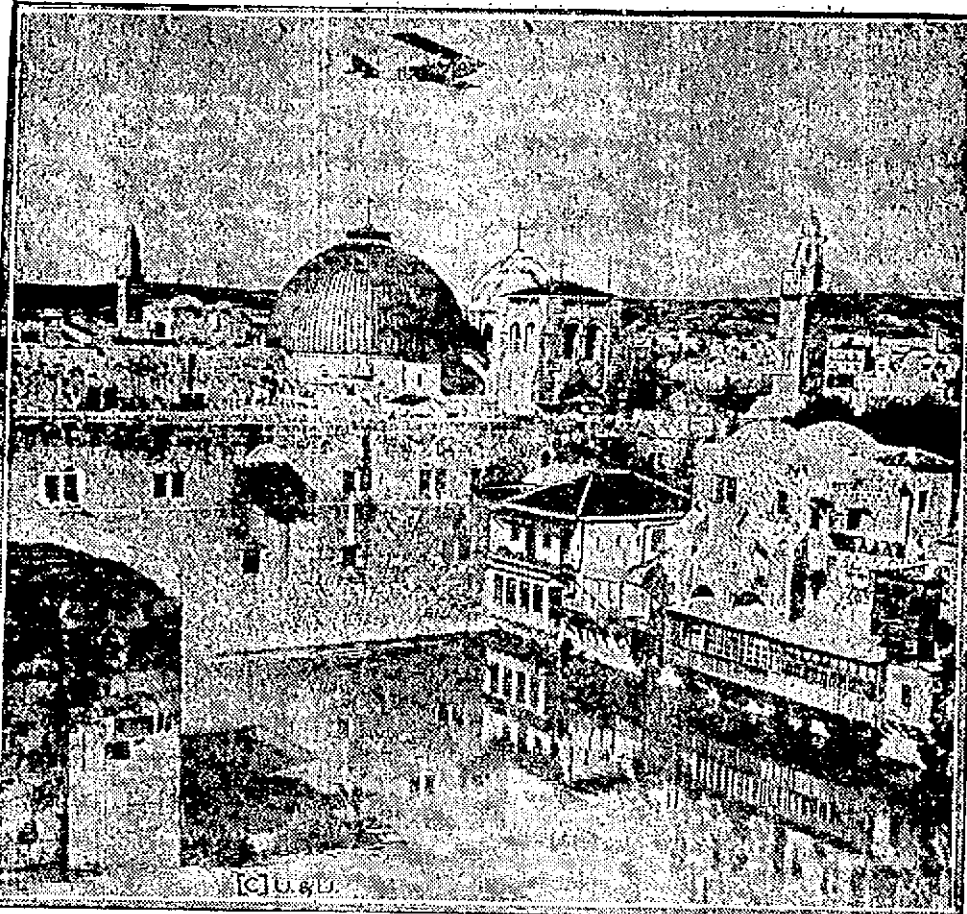
Opposition to the Unionist platform as already intimated, centered upon the obligatory military service enactment. The platform of the Liberals, under Laurier, proposed that this form of legislation should be submitted to referendum offering acquiescence in, and support of, the measure if it should be adopted by popular vote. The success of the Liberals at the polls would have indicated the Dominion war weary, unwilling to continue and extend the sacrifices already made, wish

These alleged sportsmen also oppose ratification of a migratory bird treaty with Great Britain.

Our game birds must be killed as a war measure, they say, relying on the present demand for food to give weight to their request.

But, there is no danger that the federal government will declare every

Jerusalem at Last Recovered from the Turks.



This view of Jerusalem with a than twelve centuries. In the foreground of the photograph is one of the holy pools. The Mosque of Omar or the Dome of the Rock, on in the possession of the Turks for more than twelve centuries. In the foreground of the photograph is one of the holy pools. The Mosque of Omar or the Dome of the Rock, on in the possession of the Turks for more than twelve centuries. In the foreground of the photograph is one of the holy pools. The Mosque of Omar or the Dome of the Rock, on in the possession of the Turks for more than twelve centuries.

month open season for wildfowl.

Particularly since in this state alone the forty thousand members of the New York State Fish, Game and Forest league, experienced sportsmen all, have made known their opposition to any relaxation of the law, which would result in the depletion of the breeding stock of game birds and their ultimate extinction.

A government official in a position to know states that only the passage of the federal laws prohibiting spring shooting saved our game birds from extinction four years ago.

He declares the migratory bird treaty should be at once made reciprocal with Great Britain, else all our wild birds will go the way of the great auk, the long-billed curlew, and, more recently, the passenger pigeon.

The last pigeon known to be in the United States died in the Cincinnati zoo, in captivity, two years ago. Yet farmers only a few years since had to stop work on account of the darkness caused by the shadow of a great flying flock of the birds.

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(From the Boston Globe)  
The defect of Germany's peace offers has been that she offered nothing, and if she had, we would have had no means of knowing whether the offer was sincere. But now the German sphinx is about to open its mouth. This much vir the adheres to the Russo-German parity at Brest-Litovsk; Not only will Germany be obliged to state explicit terms, but those terms will apprise the world what kind of peace it is that the German Government so earnestly desires, and how much the war party is prepared to concede in order to obtain it.

For months—it might now almost be said "for years"—the German Government has said that it wanted a conference. Well, now it has one. They are seated round the "green table," and the give-and-take has begun. It will now appear how large a proportion of Germany's disposition to peace is "give" and how much of it is "take." In such a negotiation concealment can no longer conceal. If Germany attempts the political camouflage of independent buffer states between her frontiers and Russia "under a German plan," the world will be no less able to deduce the moral.

The Russians are in for a lesson in the statecraft of the German ruling caste. There is this consolation, that the rest of us will be able to profit by their experience.

**Canada to Fight On**  
(From the Nashua Telegraph)  
The Canadian election last week, at which time the principle of conscription was adopted as definitively as if the specific resolution had been presented to the voters of the dominion for referendum, establishes a stronger bond of sympathy between the people of this country and our neighbors to the north, and heightens the admiration for the patriotic sacrifices which the provinces have made in behalf of the war. The union government, promulgated by the Borden ministry, went before the people for endorsement, and was returned to power by not only a good working, but a decisive majority. Only in the province of Quebec did the Unionists fall substantially to sweep the country.

Opposition to the Unionist platform as already intimated, centered upon the obligatory military service enactment. The platform of the Liberals, under Laurier, proposed that this form of legislation should be submitted to referendum offering acquiescence in, and support of, the measure if it should be adopted by popular vote. The success of the Liberals at the polls would have indicated the Dominion war weary, unwilling to continue and extend the sacrifices already made, wish

These alleged sportsmen also oppose ratification of a migratory bird treaty with Great Britain.

Our game birds must be killed as a war measure, they say, relying on the present demand for food to give weight to their request.

But, there is no danger that the federal government will declare every

ling for peace a fancy price. The Canadian people mean to fight on. The Australian decision on universal service, still in doubt, the result hinging upon the vote taken among the men already on the fighting fronts. The vote of those at home has recorded a majority against universal service.

When the time shall come to write the history of the present war, Canada's participation will form one of its brightest and most glorious chapters.

**A Birthplace to be Envid**

(From the Springfield Republican)  
The Whistler statue which the late Auguste Rodin of Paris was to make in triplicate for Paris, London and Lowell had been completed at his death, but cannot be cast in bronze because of the impossibility of procuring metal; during the war. The money necessary to pay for Lowell's replica has been raised, and when Rodin's work reaches this country Whistler's birthplace will be envied by other cities.

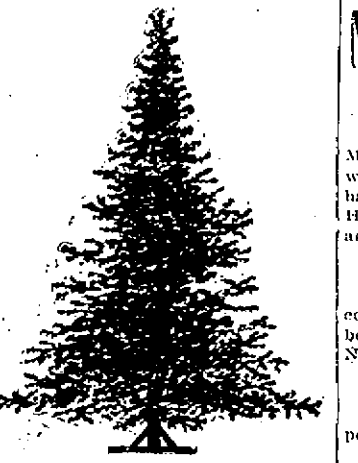
**Interesting Reading**

(From the Syracuse Post-Standard)  
Why not print that suppressed interview William Bayard Rust had with the Kaiser? It will surely do no harm now to know how William felt about German destiny in 1908. It would have been well had we known then.

**He Knows We Are at War?**

(From the Buffalo Express)  
Major-General Crozier's admissions were bad enough, but it is more alarming still to have some of his most hopeful statements directly contradicted by a congressman who has just come from the front in France. Can it be that, with all other faults, General Crozier does not know correctly what his department has done?

**THE CHRISTMAS CLUB**



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## COMMISSIONS ARE GIVEN U. S. AIRMEN

**Americans Appointed Officers in U. S. Service Are Former Members of French Flying Corps.**

Washington, Dec. 26.—Upon the recommendation of General Pershing, the war department has issued commissions in the United States army to the American airmen who have performed distinguished service with the Lafayette Escadrille.

William Thaw, Victor Lufberry and others will merely change their shoulder straps and uniforms. They will perform virtually the same work under the American colors as they have been doing under the French flag.

The appointment of the officers to the American flying service was announced today in the following statement from the war department: "The adjutant general of the army acting upon the recommendation of General Pershing, has issued commissions to the following American citizens who have been with the Lafayette Escadrille of the French army. General Pershing recommends commissions in the aviation reserve of the U. S. army and his recommendation was followed by the issuance of commissions as follows:

"As Majors—William Thaw, John F. Huffer and Victor H. Lufberry.  
"As Captains—Charles J. Biddle, Phelps Collins, Kenneth P. Littauer, Walter Lovell, David McK. Peterson, Robert L. Rockwell and Kenneth Marr.  
"As first lieutenants—Paul F. Burr, Willis R. Hayland, Charles M. Jones, Granville O. Pollock, Leland L. Rounds, Joseph C. Stebbin, George E. Turnure, Jr., Frank W. Wells, Charles H. Wilcox, Charles C. Johnson, Charles H. Donald, Jr., and Henry S. Jones.  
"As captain for service for instructor—Dudley L. Hill."

## NAVY YARD NOTES

**Promoted to 1st Sergeant**  
Sergeant Walter O. Jackson, U. S. M. C., attached to the naval prison, who was recently married in this city has been promoted to 1st sergeant. His many friends are pleased at his advance in the service.

**In Naval Hospital**  
Arthur Patch of this city who recently entered the regular navy has been quite ill at the naval hospital at Newport.

**Home for Holiday**  
James Quirk of the U. S. S. Bridgeport passed the holiday in this city.

**Thirty-Two More Wanted**  
The last call made by the Industrial Department for help included the following: Ten machinists, 2 chauffeurs, 2 pipefitters, 1 holder-on, and 17 general helpers.

**No Hurry for Work**  
Naval Constructor L. S. Adams of the Industrial Department, who has just been discharged from the local hospital, will not resume his duties for a month or more.

The Portsmouth Herald publishes the local news when it is news.

## ONE HUNDRED AND THREE YEARS OLD

**Former Portsmouth Citizen Celebrates Anniversary; Tells of the Old Days Here.**

The Boston Post has the following interesting story about a native of Portsmouth, now 103 years old:

"It's easy enough to be merry at Christmas when you're one and twenty; but what of an old, old lady with snow white hair and kind, mild manners and who makes merry on Christmas day and on the very same day celebrates her 103rd birthday?"

"The kind old lady just a little wizened up, but lively and smiling, is Mrs. Elizabeth A. Dorr, and she lives with her son, Edgar S. Dorr, in a fine old-fashioned house at 213 Savin Hill, avenue, Dorchester.

"Only a few weeks ago she saw what she wished so much to see—a flying machine. One of them rose up from Squantum, and she stepped out into the garden and watched it soar over her head. She returned to the house, her face all aglow with satisfaction, and murmured half to herself, 'I have seen them!' She had seen so much come, so many come and go; and now she had seen men fly. There was nothing more to wish for.

"A day like this takes me back to lots of things," she said. "I think of the days in Portsmouth, that's where I was born in 1814"—(The Post man remembered his school days when 1814 signified Napoleon died at St. Helena)—"and in those days we hadn't heard of kerosene. We used rushlights and candles, and obtained our sparks with tinderboxes.

"From Portsmouth to Boston was a long, tiresome journey, and when I made it which I did several times as a young girl—I had to choose between going by coasting schooner, waterwise, or by stagecoach, sir. Of course, one might go horseback too. Letters traveled slowly; they took weeks and even months to reach their destinations. We did all our own sewing then, sir, and spun our own cloth, and a girl made her whole wardrobe herself. She had to be fleet with her needle in those days.

"How was did make a change; even kerosene lamps seemed like the end of the lighting problem. Then sewing machines—I was delighted with them, although I was already quite a woman when they came out. Velocipedes, bicycles—I was long married when I first saw them. They had common candles in the theatres then and later kerosene lamps that smoked sir.

"A newspaper was a treasure, not wrapping paper. And how the trains that delighted men; horsecars I thought I'd never get accustomed to. And now—automobiles, telephones, ocean liners, telegraph, motorcycles, electric cars, electric lights, electric stoves and stoves—everything done by machines that we used to do with our hands—even letter writing. And those flying machines!"

"What about ladies' dress—silk, today, Mrs. Dorr asked the Post man. "I suppose you'd like me to say they don't, hardly stop to think about them. They're no worse than what we used to wear when I was a girl a century ago. Nice girls today dress just as modestly as nice girls did then; and the kind that weren't nice could be naughty just as easily in crinolines as in a fine frock of this year's style.

"It's the war that shocks me, not the clothes, sir. I think Mr. Wilson is a great President and I've seen—let me see; oh lots of them. I do hope we'll win this war and that it will be over soon. I had hoped never to see another war—war is useless, but since we had to have it I must end. Yesterday I joined the Red Cross. They say I'm the oldest member, and I'm proud to belong."

**A Thief Not to Be Envid**

(From the New York World)  
If, before the arrival of the British, the Turks stole the relics from the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem and sent them to the Kaiser, as is reported, we do not envy him his custodianship. There is some plunder in this world which may be enjoyed in secret, but which never can be exhibited.

James W. McLellan of Tredott, Me., while hunting during the open season, saw a fox coming in his direction and sat down to wait until he came within range of his rifle. He shot the fox and hardly had the report died away when two black deer sprang into the open, and seeing the fox, stopped to look. McLellan shot at one. The bullet went through the head of one deer and entered the heart of the other, killing them both instantly.

**WANTED**—By American woman 28 years old, office position as stenographer and bookkeeper; able to assume full responsibility and furnish best references. Tel. 685V or address this office, E. A. N.

Thunderstorm clouds are very variable in height—from 500 to 2000 feet. The clouds in thunderstorms may be very deep—from two to five miles and more—hence the appearance as to distance is very deceptive. Cumulus clouds are intermediate, and generally occupy a position from 2000 to 5000 feet above the earth.

## VISIT THE New China Restaurant

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## WILL JOIN THE AMERICAS BY WIRELESS

New Company Formed Will  
Build a Chain of High  
Power Radio Stations.

New York, Dec. 25.—Commercial wireless communication between the United States, Mexico and Central and South America, was brought nearer today with the announcement here of the organization of the Pan-American Wireless Telegraph and Telephone Co. The announcement, which was made by the Marconi Wireless Company of America, stated that work on a chain of high powered stations will be begun immediately after the first of the year. "The United States government has set its seal of approval on the new enterprise," the company's statement reads.

## RAILROAD NOTES

Dana B. Cutler, general agent for the Boston & Maine at Lynn, Mass., was a visitor at the local station on Tuesday.

The coal situation at the Boston & Maine round-house today gave the local officials much concern when they realized that only 50 tons made up the supply for locomotives. During the day a few carloads were received from Boston.

John W. Parker, clerk at the local round-house and shops of the Boston & Maine, passed the holiday with friends in Lynn.

Through trains on the Portland division were run in sections on Tuesday evening. The Flying Yankee from this city was made up of three sections.

This enlargement of the draw on the Portsmouth and Kittery bridge will be done by contract.

## GREENLAND

Greenland, Dec. 26.—A whist party for the benefit of the Red Cross auxiliary was held at the town hall last evening.

The canning factory has closed for the season.

Miss Alice Seavey, the Misses Martha, Elizabeth and Marion Bennett, Miss Dorothy Odell, Norman Barnes and Cecil Clough are spending the Christmas vacation in town.

Miss Mary Horton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edwin Brackett.

Union services were held at the joint session of the two Sunday schools Methodist church on Sunday. At a \$25 was raised for Agincourt relief work, and further pledges were made. Over \$500 has been collected here the last two months for war relief.

## RYE NEWS

Rye, Dec. 26.—The fourth lecture in the series of demonstrations in food conservation will take place at 2.30 Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Rye Centre schoolhouse. Attendance at these lec-

## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN THIS CITY QUIET

### Day Made Pleasant for the Enlisted Men With Trees---Gifts and Entertainments

Christmas day was observed quietly in this city, but nevertheless with the real spirit of the day. There were church services at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, where four masses were held in the morning and at the eight o'clock where the children's choir furnished a fine musical program and at the 10.30 where the senior choir assisted by an orchestra rendered a most impressive musical program under the direction of Director W. W. McIntire.

At both the Episcopal churches services were held at the St. Johns and the Christ and special musical programmes were rendered.

About the city it was a home day with everybody, especially those having children making the most of the day at home.

Special efforts were made to make the day pleasant for the enlisted men of the army and navy and this was successful.

At the forts in the lower harbor, there were special exercises. At noon the regular Christmas turkey dinner with all of the fixings that the army chefs could think of was served.

All of the mrs. received a Christmas present of a comfort bag from the Girls Patriotic League of this city and these were all very acceptable. Then

there were the usual gifts from home so that the quarters of the men were very cheerful. Christmas trees were provided and entertainments of music etc were arranged with picture shows so that every minute of the men's time were taken.

At the navy yard the enlisted men at the barracks, training camps and ships as well as the guard at the prison, had their Christmas dinner and they were well remembered with many gifts, and in some cases Christmas trees were provided. Musical programs were also enjoyed. Even the prisoners were given extra liberties and a special dinner.

In this city at the Army and Navy Home and at the Y. M. C. A. everything was done to make the enlisted men feel at home.

About the city there was very little of special note, most people being contented to remain at home.

The Salvation Army made their usual distributions of Christmas baskets and also had a time for the children.

The De Witt Clinton Commandery, Knights Templar, gathered at noon Christmas day to hold their usual ceremony of drinking a toast to the Grand Commander. A special musical program was provided and lunch served.

building drive. He leaves today for Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Burlington are visiting friends in Beverly.

Mrs. Fred L. Martin spent Christmas with relatives at York.

Mrs. W. E. Parlington of Medford, Mass., is visiting in this city.

Mrs. C. C. Smith and two children are visiting in Plymouth, Mass.

Dr. M. I. Beyer of Middle street has gone to Toledo, Ohio, for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gregg are spending a few days in Beverly, Mass.

Miss Isabelle Wildes of Haverhill, was a visitor here over the holiday.

Albert Gibbons spent Christmas with his parents in Worcester, Mass.

Reginald Jewett of Boston passed the holiday with his parents in this city.

Frank Hulsof of New York passed the holiday with V. A. Hett and family.

Chief Machinist's Mate Joseph Finston spent Christmas with relatives here.

Howard Dukeshire of the Hodgdon Cafe is enjoying a vacation in Springfield.

Charles Robb of Waterville spent Christmas with his family on Union street.

Dr. M. I. Beyer has been called to Toledo, O., by the illness of her brother.

Miss Margaret Goodwin of Waterbury, Conn., is visiting her mother in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Keefe of Boston passed Christmas with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Kimball of Brookline, Mass., is visiting Mrs. Joseph Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. George Evans and young son of Reading, Mass., are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Theodore Ashworth Greene of New York is the guest of Rev. L. H. Thayer and family.

Mrs. John P. Rhiney of Cambridge, Mass., is passing a few days in this city with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Yeaton of Boston passed the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Brewster.

Mr. G. Conrad Snow of Lincoln avenue is passing the holiday with his mother in Manchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brown passed the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Brown's mother in Manchester.

Miss Anne Phelps of Orange, N. J., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. S. Howbis of Middle street.

Private Frank Morris of the Engineering Corps, Fort Stark, passed the holiday at his home in Lawrence.

Miss Conny Crossstick of Portland, arrived Tuesday evening for a visit with relatives on Jefferson street.

Mr. Stanley MacDaniel of Hunkin Island is visiting his mother, Mr. Charles MacDaniel of Wilbur street.

Mrs. Fred Squire left Monday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Larsen of Rockland.

Mrs. Emma Blaine of Chicago was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Gooding of Court street over the holiday.

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## OBITUARY

Mrs. Ruth Berry Moody

Died in Greenland, Dec. 25th, Ruth Berry, wife of Richard S. Moody and daughter of the late Thomas W. and Caroline Hall Berry, aged 20 years.

Services at her late residence Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Portland papers please copy.

John Nelson Fritz

John Nelson Fritz, youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Fritz died at the family home on Cabot street this morning after a short illness, aged 3 years, 7 months and 2 days. The child was a bright young one and the pet of the entire neighborhood.

## SERVICE ON SUNDAY AT THE WENTWORTH HOME

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 23, the Mark H. Wentworth Home was favored with a service suited to the Christmas season, through the kindness of the Rev. W. M. Stanley, pastor of the Middle street Baptist church, with his choir; Miss Frances Murch, soprano; Miss Evelyn Badger, alto; Mr. Harry Caswell, tenor; Mr. Freeman Caswell, bass; and Miss Flora Dimick, organist and director. In addition to several hymns and carols, the choir sang an anthem, "Calm on the listening ear of night," and Mr. Caswell a solo, "In old Jordan," and the whole service, sermon, prayer, scripture reading and music full of "peace on earth and good will toward men," touched a responsive chord in every heart.

## DOVER KNOWS THE REASON

Reports from Washington say a committee of the senate has been instructed to "probe into the shipbuilding business." They will not have to probe very far to find out why there is a delay at the Newington ship yard. The lumber was ordered and promised long ago to be shipped from the North Pacific coast; its transportation has been delayed by lack of freight cars. The railroad men are hustling as fast as possible.—Dover Democrat.

## AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

The directors of Chase Home for Children gratefully acknowledge the following gifts of money: A bachelor, \$5; Mrs. Edwin Putnam, \$25; North Church kindergarten, \$2; South Church, charity fund, \$25; total, \$57.

MARION S. MILLER,  
Treasurer Chase Home.

## COWS WERE AFFECTED

Dr. Paul and State Agent Nelson were called to Newton this morning to examine several cows, two of which were killed, having been affected with tuberculosis.

One way to relieve habitual constipation is to take regularly a mild laxative. *Dr. Williams' Pink Pills* is recommended for this purpose. 30c a box.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Sergeant Guy Brackett of Camp Devens spent Christmas with relatives here.

Charles Wallace of this city passed the holidays with relatives in Lakeport, N. H.

Walter, Martin of the navy yard, passed Christmas with his people in Dorcy.

Miss Yvonne Raynes of Lincoln avenue is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Fred Longa of this city passed the Christmas holiday with his people in Merimack.

The young son of Mrs. R. M. French of Washington street is ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Elizabeth Goss of the Lynn hospital passed Christmas with relatives at Rye.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Davidson of Union street are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Paul Conover of the 9th Company, C. A. C., passed the holiday with relatives in this city.

Timothy Crowley, employed at the navy yard passed the holiday at his home in Biddeford.

Miss Anna Cogan, nurse at the Carney hospital, Boston, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Paul Kirvan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kirvan of Irving street, is ill with scarlet fever.

Mrs. B. M. Fisher of Mr. Avenue has been restricted to her residence for the last week by the grippe.

John Cronin of Washington, D. C., spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Annie Cronin of Stark street.

Special Agent Fred E. Drew of the Internal Revenue force, passed Christmas with his family in this city.

Mr. H. W. Nickerson of Old Orchard passed Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Harry Wendell on Hill street.

Mr. James L. Batchelder of Northampton who has been seriously ill, is reported to be greatly improved.

Corporal Omer J. Comeau of the 9th Company, C. A. C. stationed at Springfield, Mass., spent the holiday at his home in this city.

Roy Harmon, a member of the quartermaster corps at Camp Devens, passed Saturday and Sunday with his parents in this city.

John Cullane of New Hampshire college is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cullane of Stark street.

E. D. Stoddard and family are to move to Manchester the first part of the week. Portsmouth friends by the move will regret their leaving. Mr. Stoddard returns to accept a more lucrative position.

Alphonso Francis Raynes who is a student at the medical school, Columbia University, New York City, is passing the holiday recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Raynes of Lincoln avenue.

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## AFTER CHRISTMAS

Clearance Sale of Suits, Coats, Furs, Dresses, Skirts, Waists, and Trimmed Hats at great reductions in prices.

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Washington.

December 5, 1916

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## WANT ROOSEVELT TO HAVE CHARGE OF MUNITIONS

Washington, Dec. 25.—Kern Dodge, of Philadelphia, formerly president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, who is here in the interests of an efficient administration of the munition problem, issued a statement last night in which he urges the creation of secretary of munitions.

Among the other things he advocates a civilian instead of a military organization and suggests Col. Roosevelt as the type of man needed for this work. Secretary Baker, asked recently what he thought of the necessity for such an organization, declined to express an opinion.

**Prompted by Investigation.**  
In his statement, Mr. Dodge said in part:

"In connection with the investigation by a congressional committee into the apparent chaotic conditions of the ordnance bureau, I feel that the following facts may be useful and helpful."

"We have always been proud of the great ability of the various organizations of our manufacturing plants. No points of design or specifications or details of contracts have been too difficult for them to meet successfully when dealing with any material or finished product for this or the world's markets."

"There is nothing in the manufacture of munitions that calls for any higher qualities than those indicated above, yet it is a fact that serious difficulties are met by the manufacturers when producing munitions."

**Inspectors Lack Experience.**  
"One of these difficulties is met at the stage where inspection takes place. The inspector is supposed to use considerable judgment, but the men used by the government for this work usually have had little or no experience of the material or article they are inspecting. When this is added to the fact that the inspectors are in uniform and under military rule, it should easily be seen how little even the 'human element' can be of service on account of restrictions each man in these conditions works under."

"Again, the fact that they now hold a military position tends to create in their mind an attitude of adverse criticism which usually results in their preferring to build up a reputation of rejecting rather than accepting."

"I believe that one of the serious difficulties the manufacturer is working under today would be overcome if the inspectors were a part of a civilian organization and not a military one."

**Allies Use the Plan.**  
"This involves a principle which should, in my opinion, extend and refer to all phases of munitions concerned with the manufacture and production."

"This principle means that all such matters should be placed in the hands of a civilian organization by the creation of a separate department to that of the military one, at present controlling same and be free from politics."

"Our allies found by bitter experience that this was the only way to produce good results and we should at once carry a similar plan into effect."

"If we do not I predict that the production of munitions will be seriously hampered by delays and restrictions due to military matters."

"I feel that we need a man to guide and control this matter similar in type to Lloyd George of England, who took over the munitions production in that way, and I think we have that man."

"Our slogan should be 'A munition Lloyd George for America,' and all things point to his prototype here in the form of Theodore Roosevelt."

## HALIFAX RELIEF FUND \$1238.

The Halifax relief fund has been practically closed in this city and Secretary Baker of the Chamber of Commerce who has had charge of this collection states that there is \$1238.45 ready to be forwarded to the relief committee.

This is in addition to the \$1835 that the employees of the Portsmouth navy yard furnished, making a total out of this city of \$3,074 a very creditable sum.

The total fund for the entire state is only \$7,000 so that Portsmouth has furnished almost half of that amount. Considering the fact that it was entirely voluntarily subscriptions that is not collected personally by any committee it shows a fine spirit.

Of this sum \$147.00 was received from the benefit concert under the auspices of the Eastern Star, a most generous sum considering the nearness of the concert to Christmas.

The churches as a result of the collection of Dec. 16, contribute a little over \$400 of which the Catholic church gave some over half.

This relief fund is still another example of the way that this city has responded to every call made upon it. The two liberty loans were over subscribed, the two Red Cross drives were responded to in a most noble manner and the Red Triangle received its full quota from this city. It is a fine spirit and shows that this city has not lost any of its generosity of which it has been noted.

The postoffice force worked all day Christmas, and succeeded with extra help in getting out the greater part of the Christmas mail, but it was a tired bunch that quit work at night. The mail this year has been the heaviest in the history of the office. The regular mail has been greatly increased and added to this has been many thousands of pieces for the enlisted men at the navy yard and forts.

Now that the Red Cross drive is over, it is hoped that there will not be any more drives for several months. While all have been for good causes and everybody has responded nobly, there is a limit, and also it is apparent that some attention should be paid to local charities. In the rush there has been a tendency to forget the local charities.

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First Photograph of the Italian Retreat.

## RED CROSS CHRISTMAS IN FRANCE

Washington, Dec. 25.—How the American Red Cross has prepared to give Christmas cheer to American and French soldiers in hospitals and in the trenches in France, and to thousands of children in the war zone, is told in the following cablegram received at headquarters here yesterday from Paris:

"The American Red Cross has provided funds so that there was a Christmas party and entertainment in every American base hospital and a Christmas tree in every ward where there are sick and wounded American soldiers and sailors. Every American soldier had a Christmas bag containing tobacco, cigarettes, soap, shoe strings, washcloth, towel, toothbrush and large handkerchief filled with candy."

"Christmas trees were arranged for at some of the training camps. One hundred thousand socks containing gifts were given to the French soldiers in trenches, and 60,000 Christmas bags to wounded French soldiers."

"In two towns the American Red Cross hospitals arranged Christmas parties for the children. The first real old-fashioned before-the-war kind of Christmas since 1913 was prepared for children of French refugees, cripples and tuberculous soldiers by the American Red Cross. After three Christmasless years, the children of the devastated region have almost forgotten to put out wooden shoes, which the French place where American children hang stockings."

"The American Red Cross sent books, toys, bunnies, dolls and balloons to be distributed to 1300 children near Ham, Neale and Noyon, by French friends of the children. It also provided for the distribution of toys sent by an American newspaper, to 6000 children, and is sending 36 boxes of toys and clothing to 2000 refugee children south of Verdun."

"The cablegram also says extensive preparations were made to bring Christmas cheer to children in many other districts, as well as to give useful presents to refugees and sick in different hospitals throughout France."

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## OBSEQUIES

Frederick W. Wilmet

The funeral of Frederick W. Wilmet Jr., was held from the home of his parents, 105 Richards avenue, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. L. H. Thayer of the North church officiating. The bearers were four of his schoolmates, Alden Horton, Harold Diddle, George Bridle and Vernon Searies. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb under direction of J. Verne Wood.

## OBSEQUIES

George A. Wendell

The funeral of George A. Wendell was held from the home of his brother J. H. Wendell on the Lloyd Road Monday afternoon at 11 o'clock, Rev. Nelson Kellogg of St. John's church officiating. The bearers were J. D. Wendell, J. H. Wendell, Charles Holt and Daniel Richards. Interment was in the family lot in Sagamore cemetery under direction of J. Verne Wood.

Mrs. Mary A. Frisbee

The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Frisbee was held at the home at Kittery Point Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Winifred Coffin, assisted by Rev. E. W. Cummings, officiating. Mrs. Justin Sawyer and Charles Sawyer sang, "Looking This Way," "Sweetly Resting" and "Shall We Meet."

The remains were placed in the receiving tomb under direction of J. Verne Wood.

## EXETER

Exeter, Dec. 26.—Christmas was observed at the Rockingham county farm at Brentwood in the usual manner. Supt. Charles H. Rand and wife making special arrangements for serving a special Christmas dinner and the inmates were also remembered by gifts. The Christmas menu consisted of a chicken pie dinner with squash, onions, mashed potatoes and mince pie. At breakfast, baked beans were served and for supper dropped cakes and other dainties were partaken of. Each of the male inmates was given a handkerchief, oranges and a card, and the ladies an apron, candy and a card. As the men's home is now in process of construction, the usual graphophone concert was held in some of the other finished apartments, many of the rooms being brought into service for the Christmas program. Gifts were also sent to the inmates by the Current Events club of Exeter, a custom of long standing. Inmates at the institution are fewer than for many years.

Rocario Girard yesterday took steps towards finding his brother Frederick, whom he has not heard from for 28 years and was then in Vancouver, Washington. Mr. Girard wrote to the city marshal of Vancouver asking him to assist in finding his relative. He states that he was married and was working on a farm near that city when he last heard from him.

Harold J. Weeks of the ordinance department at Camp Devens spent the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weeks of High street. Mr. Weeks is a former Dartmouth man. Samuel Barlow, who enlisted in the navy, and now stationed at New York, state.

## CUT HIS THROAT IN A DREAM

Charles M. Dec. 25.—"I did it in my dream," was the only explanation A. J. Erickson offered, when he was found in his room Monday morning, with his throat cut from ear to ear by six or seven slashes made by a razor.

Erickson arrived in town Saturday and registered at "The Winner" lodging house on Pleasant street. He signed as Harry White, giving no address. He appeared to be all right but remained in his room all day Sunday. Monday morning when the chambermaid went to the room he was found in bed. A physician was called and the wounds were dressed. He was rushed to the hospital but in the temporary absence of the doctor and chief of police, it is thought that he tore the bandages from the wound so that the hemorrhage began again and he died in a few minutes.

To the police he had said he came from Gardner, Mass., and claimed that he had a mother and brother in that place, also three children, but that his wife was in Maine. He said he was 30 years of age and that he was sorry for his act.

## CARDINAL'S MESSAGE ONE OF OBEDIENCE

Baltimore, Dec. 25.—Cardinal Gibbons, in a Christmas message to all soldiers and sailors in the service of the United States issued today, says: "The message of Christmas is that of obedience. The Child, whom Christendom loves and adores, came into the world of His own making to fulfill the will of His Heavenly Father, God Almighty, though He was, He could say: 'In the head of the book it is written that I should do Thy will, O God! I come!'"

"Before the infant babe opened His mouth He taught in His human form the wonderful lesson of obedience."

"While sending to all of you my very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I entrust you to learn this lesson of the Divine Infant and be obedient to the will of your superiors."

## NAVAL OFFICERS GET PROMOTIONS

Washington, Dec. 21.—156 officers of the navy were promoted to the next higher grade today by the President's approval of the selection board, of which Admiral Mayo was chairman. Twelve captains become rear admirals, 57 commanders become captains and 123 lieut. Commanders become commanders. The captains promoted to Rear Admirals are: T. W. Kinkaid, W. S. Smith, Joseph L. Jayne, Charles W. Dixon, Clarence S. Williams, John B. McDonald, H. B. Jones, W. R. Sheemaker, Joseph Strauss, Edward W. Zierley, R. C. Coontz, Spencer Well.

The greater number of the employees at the Internal Revenue office passed the holiday a their homes all over the state.

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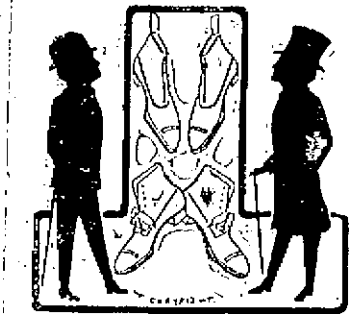
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## A. P. INSURES ITS EMPLOYEES

Washington, Dec. 24.—Mortelle D. Stone, General Manager of the Associated Press, announced tonight that the life of every employee of the Associated Press had been insured for \$1,000 in favor of his dependant.

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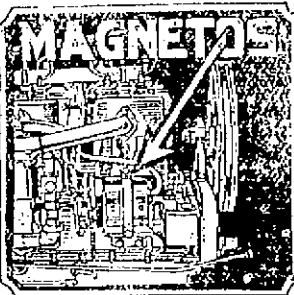
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## CAUGHT WITH ARMS FOR I. W. W.

A Pacific Port, Dec. 25.—Federal officials today found packages of ammunition, several hundred rifles and a number of boxes filled with revolvers buried under the cargo of hides in the Shiloh, a Russian freighter which arrived here Friday night under control of its Bolshevik crew.

Officials said the cartridges found in the ammunition packages contained slugs such as are used by the Germans on the eastern front.

For I. W. W. or German Raider. The consignment was probably intended, officials said they believed, for Industrial Workers of the World or for use of a raider in the Pacific.

"An investigation to determine the purpose of those in charge of the ship will be made immediately," the United States district attorney here said today. "We know that the Shiloh is manned by a Bolshevik crew and apparently is in charge of a committee of five that took the vessel over after the crew mutinied a few days out of the Russian port."

Officials, continuing their search today, discovered a large quantity of liquor and a number of I. W. W. newspapers aboard, it is announced.

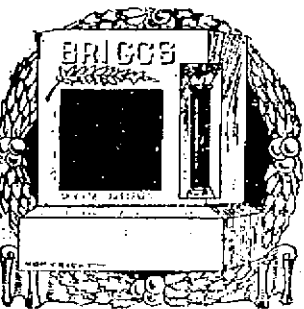
If the munitions were intended for the I. W. W., officials said, the Shiloh probably intended to unload her cargo here and then proceed to some prearranged obscure spot on the coast and put the rifles, revolvers and ammunition ashore.

Among the federal agents working on the ship were some who said they believed the munitions were sent by the Bolsheviks to aid the I. W. W. to "oment revolutions in the United States to further Bolshevik principles." Capt. Boris Bogal, master of the boat, and members of the crew will probably be interned, officials asserted. Search will be continued until the entire vessel and cargo are gone over. Saturday night, unverified rumors were circulated that the vessel carried \$100,000, sent by Bolsheviks to aid the defence of I. W. W. members under trial in Chicago. Officials have found no trace of the money.

## SENATOR NEWLAND DIES SUDDENLY

Washington, Dec. 24.—Senator Frank B. Newland of Nevada, died of heart failure tonight after a short illness at his home here. He was stricken while at work in his office in the state building and no one at the capital knew of his illness until after his announcement was made of his death.

He was taken to his home from his office but then no one realized that he



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## DOVER ROAD MAY INCREASE RATES

Concord, Dec. 25.—The Public Service commission has issued a report permitting the Dover, Somersworth and Rochester Street railway to put into effect with a certain modification, the rates which, if they had not been suspended by the commission, would have gone into effect last August.

The new rates will increase the rate for each fare section from 5 cents to 6 cents. The street railway in its proposed rates planned to withdraw a transfer privilege which is now being given to passengers traveling from Dover to Somersworth to Blackwater station, so called, and for passengers traveling from Blackwater to Dover or Somersworth. The withdrawal of this transfer privilege would have increased the rate for all passengers going to or from the Blackwater district from 5 cents to 12 cents. In view of the suggested modification, the company will file a tariff changing the rates previously proposed by it so as to place into effect in the Blackwater district a 9 cent fare in lieu of the present 5 cent fare for regular passengers, and a 4 1-2 cent fare in lieu of the present 2 1-2 cent fare for school children.

In passing upon this matter the commission finds that the company has never paid any dividends upon its outstanding capital stock. It finds also that under the rates being allowed the company would not be making a fair return on a fair value of the property which for purposes of this case is fixed at approximately \$800,000, even though there would be no lessening of traffic due to the increase, and no increase in expenses, which it finds there certainly will be.

### Unfurling of Service Flags

(From the Manchester Mirror)  
The custom of unfurling service flags, which tell the tale but glorious record of homes and organizations in contributing of their membership to the service of their country that the world may be made free, in both a national and individual sense, is one of the most beneficial that has been devised since the United States took a stand to uphold the liberties of the world.

The custom is one that impresses its lesson upon the public mind in a most effective and lasting manner.

As the passerby comes in sight of a church, home, clubhouse or dwelling he notes the service flag if there be one, involuntarily counts the stars, and is impressed by the fact that this organization this club, this church, this home, has sent one, two, three or more of its members into the great worldwide strife to uphold the honor of the country.

In obedience to the custom of unfurling service flags there were two notable examples of this in our city on Sunday, when a service flag containing 161 stars was unfurled from St. Joseph's cathedral with the blessing of the devoted bishop who delivered a patriotic and fervent address in commemorating the event.

Also there was unfurled but a few squares south of the cathedral at St. Anne's church, another service flag, one bearing 151 stars—a star for each member of old St. Anne's parish who has gone to war.

Referring to the flag the eloquent pastor of the church, the Rev. John J. Lyons, said in an impassioned address:

"This flag will not be torn down by German or Hun, but will fly until American triumphs in the cause of justice and liberty."

"The Star Spangled Banner" was sung at both the cathedral and St. Anne's church as the flags were displayed.

Still other service flag demonstrations were held Sunday—one at St.

Paul's M. E. church and the other at the People's Baptist church.

At the former one of the organizations connected with the church presented a flag bearing 28 stars, and at the latter an organization with the church gave a flag bearing 15 stars.

## SPIES KEEPING GERMANS WELL INFORMED

(By Associated Press)

An Atlantic Port, Dec. 25.—That the crew of a captured German submarine knew when a large American transport with American army officers left the United States and that they laid in wait for the ship, was the statement of several enlisted men who returned on the transport. They claimed that the German prisoner when captured knew all about the ship and her passengers and they had been ordered to sink the transport, but were prevented by the vigilance of her convoy, which sank the U-boat but rescued the crew who were taken to England.

### Cut to The Bone

(From the Boston Transcript)  
The probe begun by the Senate Committee on Military Affairs into the War Department must cut to the bone. The testimony given by Colonel Isaac N. Lewis, a graduate of West Point and at the time of his resignation from the Army an artillery officer of high renown and the father of two boys who are now serving in France under General Pershing, makes it imperative that the probe shall be thorough. As the inventor of the Lewis gun this witness is naturally a believer in the efficacy of that weapon, but we do not have to take his word for it. The experience of our Allies proves its worth. The British and the French used seventy thousand Lewis guns in their recent advance. Our own Navy and Marine Corps promptly adopted it. It was belatedly adopted by the aviation branch of the Army, but, as chief of ordnance, General Crozier has prevented its general adoption for trench work. Instead, he has fastened upon the Army a gun which has never been given a field test.

It is betraying no secret to say that the fighting forces of the Army have long believed that Colonel Lewis was the victim of prejudice and persecution by the Ordnance Department, which under the administration of General Crozier has seemed to resent the invention of any ordnance by anybody not connected with that department. The story told to the Senate by Colonel Lewis will be corroborated by general officers attached to the fighting forces of the Army. The Senate should send for every divisional commander and for the ablest among the younger infantry and artillery officers and get their testimony and their opinion as to Crozier and Crozierism.

Meantime, we hope that the committee will have the testimony of Colonel Lewis published as a public document, and given that general circulation which its significance deserves. Once the facts that he has set forth sink into the head and heart of the nation, Crozier and Crozierism will crumble like a house of cards.

### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to all who in any way assisted us in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. George A. Wendall & Family.

The Red Cross work room will resume its activities today with surgical dressings and tomorrow with the sawings. There is still need of more workers and every woman who can, will be gladly welcomed at the Elks Home.

For any itching skin trouble, piles, eczema, salt rheum, hives, itch, scald head, herpes, scabies, Dean's Ointment is highly recommended, 60c a box at all stores.

## GERMANS CUT THROAT OF LONE SOLDIER

American Sentry Taken Prisoner by a Superior Force After Trench Raid.

(By Associated Press)

American Army in France, Dec. 25.—German atrocities against American soldiers are officially reported, with the statement that an American sentry was found with his throat cut from ear to ear and from the evidence it was done after he had been made a prisoner.

Information of the German savagery was made known to the American forces in a series of bulletins issued to the troops. One stated that after a raid by the Germans on a trench held by the Americans a lone sentry who was taken by surprise by a superior force and captured, was found afterwards with his throat cut from ear to ear the work of the Germans.

Such brutality said the bulletin is familiar to the older soldiers who can imagine in the Philippines.

Another bulletin calls attention to the fact that in places where the Germans have taken French villages, they have turned the women and children out into the streets and have taken their homes for their soldiers and supplies.

## U. S. TRANSPORT CAPTURED U-BOAT

Bar Harbor, Me., Dec. 25.—A letter from Chester Westcott, steward on the United States transport M. L. Vernon, formerly the big German liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie, confirms previous reports of the deliberate surrender of a German submarine.

Young Westcott says that on the second trip of the transport, when in the danger zone, a periscope appeared suddenly close aboard.

The gunners were about to open fire when the U-boat came entirely to the surface, opened the hatch and displayed a white flag, while the crew lined up on the deck.

Fearing treachery, the M. L. Vernon swung down on them, sent a boat's crew to the U-boat. The men said that they had been sent out with orders not to come back until they had got the M. L. Vernon, as the Admiralty was particularly anxious to sink the former crack German liner. They had been cruising three weeks and were short of provisions and water. They had mutilated and shot the captain when he refused to return to port, they said.

They were taken on board and cared for and the submarine towed into a French port.

The promised cold spell is going down to the youngsters, for with their new sleds, skates, skis, snow shoes etc., and not to mention the weeks vacation from school. Mild weather has no attraction at this time of the year.

Dover held a community Christmas tree on Franklin square and also the Deckwith company had a tree for the children at the Opera House.

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TO LET—A large, furnished front room near the Rockingham hotel, suitable for two gentlemen. Address "S," this office. he 1w, d18.

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### FOR SALE

TO LET—A large, light, furnished corner room, suitable for two gentlemen. Apply The Remnant Store, 250 State Street. he 024, 1f.

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### LOST

LOST—Saturday night on Congress street, a 1916 Daily Diary, chauffeur's license and two meal tickets. Return to Chick's restaurant and receive reward. he 1w, d 18.

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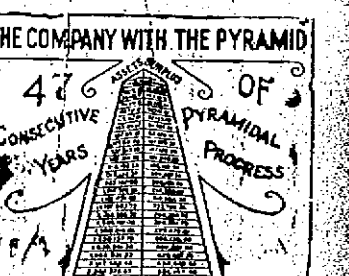
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Big Delivery Auto Tips Over  
at Junction of Maplewood  
Avenue and Dennett  
Street.

Several gallons of gasoline went  
down the sewer trap on Monday after-  
noon when the delivery auto of the  
Standard Oil company tipped over

near the corner of Maplewood avenue  
and Dennett streets. The wheels of the  
big machine became caught in the  
car tracks and the tank went over on  
its side. Three men were on the driver's  
seat at the time and though they  
were thrown out, none of them were  
injured. The car was slightly dam-  
aged.

Only a small number of the local  
boys from Camp Devens were fortun-  
ate enough to draw a Christmas holi-  
day.

## PRISONERS SEND GREETINGS TO HEAD OF NAVY

### Praise Osborne and Will Work for Restoration.

The Christmas spirit certainly was  
manifested by the inmates of the  
United States naval prison on Christ-  
mas day in a private telegram which  
they ordered sent to Washington. The  
message was from the Naval Welfare  
League and was transmitted without  
the knowledge of Lieut. Commander  
Thomas Mott Osborne, who commands  
the prison and the father of the league  
which has done so much for the good  
of the court martial men. The tele-  
gram read as follows:

"To Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary  
of the Navy, Washington, D. C.

"Our hearts are tonight filled with  
love for you and our commanding offi-  
cer. We have had a real Christmas  
here. The institution today seemed  
more like a Christian home than a  
prison. The kindnesses received at  
your hands have made all of us deter-  
mined to strive for restoration, make  
good and thereby prove our apprecia-  
tion. Wishing you and yours all the  
happy returns of the season.

"NAVAL WELFARE LEAGUE."

tendent of public works is giving the  
politicians plenty to talk about.

## LOCAL DASHES

Not much talk about New Year's  
dashes.

Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch,  
Tel. 133.

Prepare for big things in the build-  
ing line.

Velle automobiles, C. B. Woods,  
Bow street.

The Twentieth Century club dines  
on Monday evening.

Lots of ice cakes were noticed float-  
ing down river Tuesday.

Portsmouth may get another naval  
prison on this side of the river.

The loss of business owing to the  
absence of the ships hurt some.

Portsmouth business men are more  
than pleased—specially Herald ad-  
vertisers.

Let The Herald small article col-  
umn sell that used piano or anything  
you don't need.

Lobsters and fresh fish of all kinds,  
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Why not start the new year by or-  
dering a tailor made suit of M.  
Schwartz, 179 Congress street.

Upholsterers of antique and modern  
furniture, Haly mattresses renovated,  
Margeson Bros., Tel. 579.

It is not expected that the demo-  
crats will make many changes in the  
present list of city officials.

Sunday was comparatively quiet in  
police circles, with only two stray  
drunks registered at midnight.

Your furs remodeled at reasonable  
prices by M. Schwartz, 179 Congress  
street, opp. Public Library, Tel. 486M.

Portsmouth enjoyed the most pros-  
perous Christmas in many years.

The activity on the river, so far as  
river boats go, appears to be doomed.

The Elks are planning a wonderful  
time for their Charity ball the last of  
next month. It promises to eclipse  
anything ever attempted by this host-  
ing organization.

The temperature Christmas day was  
comparatively mild, but during the  
evening the first evidence of the prom-  
ised cold spell began to appear, and  
the temperature dropped rapidly.

LOS—Saturday, Dec. 15, a red tele-  
scope bag; under will be rewarded if  
same is returned to Yeaton's Grain  
Store, Market street. he 426, 31

In the list of those who contributed  
refreshments for the ladies at the Red  
Cross house tent, it should be men-  
tioned that Howe and Voudy served  
hot chocolate on Saturday and Mon-  
day.

Eight members of the Boston Coun-  
try Club participated in the shoot for  
the DuPont silver medal on the club  
traps. Parker W. Whittemore with an  
actual kill of 46, one of the two scratch  
men, won the medal.

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## BIG LAND DEAL AT FREEMAN'S PT.

The interest in the huge tracts of  
land at Freeman's Point owned by Col.  
John Pender, was taken over today  
by P. W. Hartford. It is understood  
that the transfer has to do with com-  
ing moves in that locality. The trans-  
fer was made this afternoon.

## WEDDING BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

### Pretty Home Wedding of Popular Young Couple.

A quiet but pretty home wedding oc-  
curred on Christmas afternoon at 4  
o'clock at 139 South street when Miss  
Elsa A. Robinson, daughter of Mr. and  
Mrs. Edward E. Robinson was united  
in marriage to Sherburne S. Wendell,  
son of Mrs. Carle and the late Henry  
Wendell. The couple were unattended  
and the bride was gown in a gradu-  
ation dress of china silk, pearl trim-  
ming and carried a prayer book. The  
home was prettily decorated with  
laurel, holly and evergreen, where a  
reception followed. They were the re-  
cipients of many beautiful wedding  
gifts. Following a short honeymoon in  
Massachusetts they will reside at 139  
South street. Both are justly popular  
young people. The groom is employed  
at the navy yard as a machinist and  
the bride is also connected with the  
government having some time ago en-  
rolled as a yeoman in the naval re-  
serve.

## MORE PAY FOR THE TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

### Increase of \$1 for Operators and Supervisors at Local Exchange.

The operators and supervisors of the  
New England Telephone Central ex-  
change received a Christmas gift in  
the form of an increase in wages.  
The first named will be advanced from  
\$12 to \$13 and the latter from \$15 to  
\$16. The advance is based upon mon-  
ey received in accordance with a slid-  
ing scale. It is said that it will amount  
to about a ten per cent voluntary raise  
on the part of the company.

## WORKMAN INJURED BY FALLING TIMBER

### Dover Man Meets With Acci- dent at Shipbuilding Plant.

Harry Clark of Dover, employed at  
the emergency ship building plant at  
Newington, was sent to the Portsmouth  
hospital today following an injury in  
which his foot was badly crushed by a  
falling timber. He suffered no broken  
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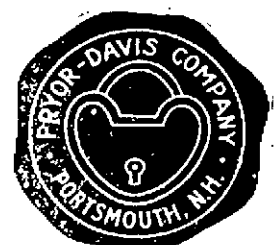


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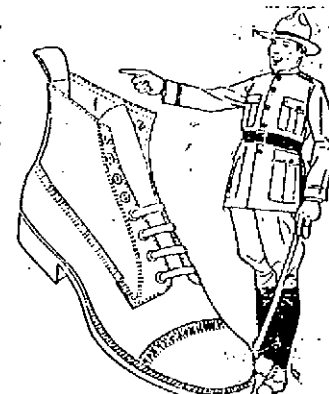
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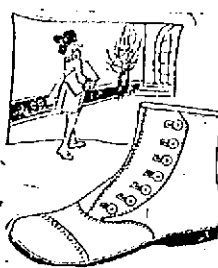
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Good feet for men and women in the  
making depend a great deal upon the  
sort of shoes chosen for children. Nat-  
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George N. Gillen, one of the best  
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smouth navy yard has accepted a po-  
sition at the New Orleans station un-  
der Constructor Hammer, formerly of  
the local yard. Mr. Gillen will act as  
the head of the estimating and plan-  
ning section of the southern yard. Mr.  
Gillen is an expert mechanic and will  
make a very valuable man in his new  
field of labor. For the past 17 years he  
has acted as leadingman machinist at  
the Portsmouth yard and leaves there  
with a most excellent record. Previous  
to his departure his fellow workmen  
in the shop presented him with a trav-  
elling bag, Elks chain and a fountain  
pen. Before taking up government  
work he was employed at Saco, Me.,  
and Attleboro, Mass.

## BURKE APPOINTED A LIEUTENANT

### Enters Merchant Service and Later the Navy.

Charles A. Burke of this city, son of  
Captain James Burke, keeper of the  
Nubble light at York, has been ap-  
pointed a lieutenant in the reserve  
navy. He entered the merchant ma-  
rine service and went from third to  
first officer. The ship on which he was  
serving was later taken over by the  
navy department and Burke went with  
the ship and was immediately pro-  
moted to the above named rank. Judg-  
ing from his knowledge of the mer-  
chant service and his work in the past  
there is no doubt that the young offi-  
cer will make good.

## WILL HOLD ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

### Elks and P. A. C. to Meet for First Time This Winter on Jan. 2.

The annual tournament between the  
old-time rivals, the P. A. C. and the  
Elks, will begin Wednesday evening,  
January 2, at the P. A. C. club house.  
The excitement will consist of cards  
and pool and billiards. The Elks co-  
hort will be led by Captain Tom  
Lynch assisted by Lieuts. Ambott, Ho-  
gan and Capstick. This contest is for  
real blood.